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LOK SABHA

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PUBLIC PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION IN AGRICULTURE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to ensure greater public sector funding on Agricultural Research and Development so as to trigger rapid growth in productivity;

(b) if so the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government also propose to allow private sector participation in Agricultural Research and Development; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of Five Year Plans Allocation for Department of Agricultural Research and Education are as under:

FIVE YEAR PLANs	Allocations (Rs in crore)
VIIIth	1300.00
IXth	2514.17
Xth	4868.00

(c) & (d): As Public Agricultural Research System, the Department has taken a series of initiatives for linkages with the industry/private sector. The issues involved were discussed in two separate workshops on ICAR-Industry Interface held during April 98 and February 2000. The Department has also constituted a Committee to frame rules and Procedures for partnership for research with private sectors